

FAWNCY, EH? WOT! OSCAR HERE QUITE ENGLISH, Y'KNOW

Hammerstein Home to Defend
Suit and Runs Into Others
at Dock.

TELLS OF OPERA WAR.

London House a Big Success,
He Says, and Many Novelties
on the Way.

Oscar Hammerstein, his hat and his
dignity, came back from his London tri-
umphs today on the Lusitania. He
will carry in New York a few days in
entertainment with a lawsuit and some
business affairs, and hopes to sail for
London when the Lusitania departs on
the return trip next Wednesday.

The redoubtable Hammerstein is a
little thinner and a little paler than
usual, but otherwise he shows no traces
of the strain of building a new and mag-
nificent opera house in London, engag-
ing a company and scoring an artistic
victory in the face of odds that would
have discouraged anybody else in the
world.

"This is quite jolly, I fancy, eh,
wot?" said Oscar as the reporters ap-
proached him at Quarantine.
"You see," he went on, "I am becom-
ing quite English. But I'm just the
same old Oscar Hammerstein and I'm
very glad to see your smiling faces. I
feel so good about coming back to New
York that I feel like kissing all of you."
"Oh, Mr. Hammerstein, may not so,"
chirped the assemblage.

FEELS GOOD TO GET BACK TO
OLD NEW YORK.

"Of course," said Oscar, "I meant in a
figurative sense. I want to tell you that
there is a sort of funny catch in my
heart and throat when I look up the
Bay toward New York and realize that
I am coming back to a place that has
been very good to me.

"There is one thing about coming
back to New York. It gives me pleasure,
although my departure from Lon-
don at this time is prejudicial to my
interests there. I would not have come
over but for the trial of a suit that
Zanetto, the tenor, has brought against
me. It is quite an important matter
and my personal testimony is neces-
sary."

"Now as to my opera-house in Lon-
don. I struck 'em deaf, dumb and
blind. While I felt that I could put my
enterprise across, I am free to admit
that I had many misgivings.
"However, when I opened the doors
the first night I knew I had 'em. I could
feel it. But they didn't know I had 'em.
WITH THE NOBILITY AWAY EX-
PENSES ARE BEING MET.

"Notwithstanding that the King and
Queen were in India when I opened, and
that the aristocracy and nobility were
almost entirely away from London, I
have been breaking even.

"I do not know that I shall engage
any singers while I am in New York.
Undoubtedly I shall meet some of
them. If I can duplicate the excellent
article I have already enrolled in my
London company I may sign up a few."

"Among my early productions will be
an opera by the Duke of Argyll—his
second attempt. I have other novelties
in preparation. Many managers have
labored under the impression that the
English people do not care for novelties.
I go on the principle that a producer's

OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN
WHO ARRIVED TO-DAY
TO DEFEND A SUIT.



OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN

duty to his public is to entertain that
public by putting forth the best he can
get."

PROCESS SERVERS GREET
OSCAR AT THE GANGPLANK.

Oscar was greeted on the pier by a
large assemblage, which included four
energetic and enthusiastic process serv-
ers.

One of the suits is brought by Giovan-
ni Polese, a baritone, formerly a member
of the Manhattan Opera company. He
wants \$4,000.00 which he claims is due on
a contract.

Al Warendorf, a Broadway florist,
through counsel, served Oscar with a
complaint in a suit for \$2. It is alleged
that Oscar ordered a floral arrangement
from Warendorf to be sent to Mme.
Trentini at the New York Theatre and
forgot to pay the bill.

ETHAN ALLEN'S WILL.

Lawyer Leaves "Dear Family
Friend" Part of Residue.

The will of Ethan Allen, the noted at-
torney, was filed for probate to-day in
the Surrogate's office. Mr. Allen died,
Dec. 7, in that city. The amount of the
estate is not given, but more than \$100,000
is distributed to the family and friends
of long standing.

To each of the five nieces and nephews
\$8,000 is bequeathed. To Ella O'Keefe of
Long Island City, who was a servant in
the Allen household, \$2,500 is left. The
residue of the estate is broken up into
eight equal parts, to be shared by
friends of the family, and Ella L. Sands
of Breton Hall, a "very dear friend of
the family."

SUES RAILROAD FOR \$100,000

Says Central Had Him Falsely Ar-
rested on Perjury Charge.

Following closely on his acquittal by
a jury in the Supreme Court of the
charge of subornation of perjury, Fred-
erick H. Brown of Mount Vernon to-
day filed suit in the Westchester Su-
preme Court at White Plains against
the New York Central Railroad Com-
pany to recover damages of \$100,000 for
false arrest and imprisonment.

Will Furnish Drinking Cups.
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 5.—An
official announcement was made by the
New York, New Haven and Hartford
Railroad company to-day to the effect
that the company will provide without
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law requiring the elimination of the
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MAN IN HER BED SHOCKS RETIRING YOUNG WOMAN

And He Sleeps on White Ten-
ants Yell Chorus in Broad-
way Apartment.

John McCutcheon, street car conduc-
tor, weary with his work yesterday,
sought refreshment and recreation
when he quit at 6 o'clock. After he had
rested, refreshed and recreated awhile,
he felt the need of sleep. He got into
a subway train at the Grand Central
station to start for his home, No. 414
West Fifty-seventh street.

He slept by many stations and lunched
out of the train at Broadway and One
Hundred and Third street. He walked
back one block with great care, wan-
dered about in circles for ten minutes
or more and then steered himself into
the apartment of Mrs. Patti Foster,
twenty-two years old, who lives with
her mother at No. 362 Broadway. The
Foster apartment is on the fourth floor.
So is the McCutcheon apartment in
Fifty-seventh street.

FOUND MAN IN, NOT UNDER HER
BED.

Mrs. Foster and her mother were in
the kitchen at the back of the flat.
They did not know the front door was
ajar and did not hear Mr. McCutcheon
come in.

They did not even hear Mr. Mc-
Cutcheon's shoes thump on the floor
as he removed all his clothing and got
into Mrs. Foster's neat little bed.

Along about 11 o'clock Mrs. Foster
kissed her mother goodnight and en-
tered her room. She came out again
with a bound and her big eyes almost
starting from her head. She grabbed
her mother by the arm and fairly
dragged her out into the hall of the
house.

"O-o-o-o!" she gasped. "Burglars,
mamma, burglars!"

Her mother screamed and all the other
tenants came streaming into the hall.
There was a council of war. Little Mrs.
Foster was sure, by this time, that
there were at least three robbers in her
bed. A watch was set on the fire-
escape by excited volunteers. A tele-
phone message was sent to Police Head-
quarters.

SLEEPER AWAKES GRUMBLING
AT BESIEGERS.

Del. Jives Maddock and Stanford were
sent from the West One Hundredth
street station on the run, picking up
fixed post men and other policemen as
they went. There was a young army
of police at the house in about seven
minutes. Every entrance was guarded.
Stanford went up the fire-escape, lifted

SUFFRAGEE BEGS TO HOLD BABY AS WIFIE TESTIFIES

Mrs. D. W. Barker, leader of the
Women's Suffrage party in the Tenth
Assembly District, Brooklyn, was on
the stand to-day before Justice Jaycox
in the Supreme Court inquiry as to
whether the party convention of Oct.
12 was legal and proper and he should
enjoin the faction of the party which
does not think so from holding a new
convention to unseat Mrs. Robert H.
Elder.

Mrs. Barker was on the committee
which retired to the kitchen in the
basement of Mrs. Talbot Perkins's home
and expelled three delegates for trea-
son after they had declared their inten-
tion to vote against Mrs. Elder. The
witness admitted that the trial was
merely the reading of the charges pre-
ferred by Mrs. Elder and that no testi-
mony was taken for the defendants or
any argument made for them.

The hearing to-day was disturbed
early in the session by a meek-looking
man, who was carrying a baby about
three years old. A court attendant told
him he couldn't stay in the room with
the baby.

"But baby's mother is going to testi-
fy for the suffrage on the witness
stand," said the man, pleadingly, "and I
want baby to hear her."

"Not in this court," said the attend-
ant, and popper retired meekly.

in the kitchen window and got into the
flat. Maddock entered by the front
door.

"What's amasser you fellows?" grunted
Mr. McCutcheon when they shook him.
"Can't anybody get any sleep around
here?"

Without undue gentleness they dressed
him and took him away. Mrs. Foster
and her mother and the neighbors
changed the bed clothing and peace
came again to the house.

Mr. McCutcheon told Magistrate Har-
bert in the West Side Court to-day that
he didn't remember anything about it
and didn't want to. He was fined \$10,
and, not being willing to pay it, will
spend ten days in jail trying to recall
just how it happened.

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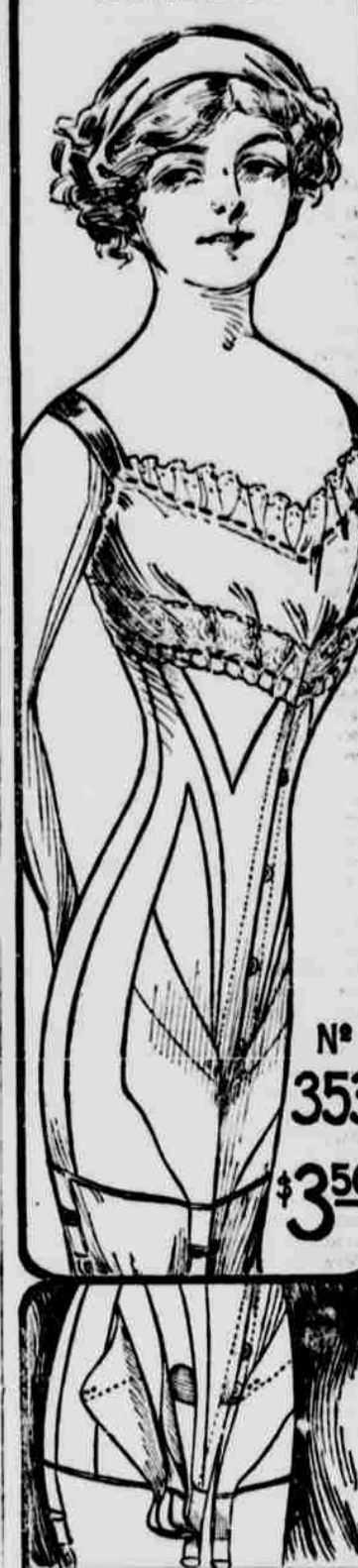
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